



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Confirmation No. 8006

Kouichirou HIRATA et al.

Docket No. 2001_1888A

Serial No. 10/018,974

Group Art Unit 1645

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Examiner Jana A. Hines

METHOD FOR THE DETECTION OF STREPTOCOCCUS
SOBRINUS AND ANTIBODY USED THEREFOR

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AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action dated April 9, 2003, the time for responding thereto being extended for two months in accordance with a petition for extension submitted concurrently herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amdt
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Linda
9/24/03